

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2007**  
**9:30 A.M. COMMISSION MEETING**  
**COMMISSION CHAMBERS**

**PRESENT:** Chairman Lance Olson, Commissioners Joe Briggs, Peggy Beltrone excused. Clayton M. Braden, Debbie Mart, Bob Stubbs, Luella Vogel, Steve Erwin, Jill Lorang, Loran Stensland, Jim Voegele, Brian Clifton, Susan Conell, Gail Campbell, Dave Campbell, Sheriff Castle, Jackie O'Fallon, Rina Ft Moore and Marie Sickels.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Lance Olson called the meeting to order, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**READING OF THE CALENDAR**

Jackie O'Fallon read the calendar.

**PURCHASE ORDERS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE WARRANTS**

Commissioner Briggs made a **MOTION** to approve the purchase orders and accounts payable warrants. The Board of County Commissioners has approved the purchase orders and accounts payable warrants #152474 through #152785 totaling \$733,575.56 dated 1-4-07 thru 1-11-07. Also approved the purchase orders and accounts payable warrants #152312 through #152473 totaling \$972,892.24 dated 12-28-06 thru 1-3-07. Payroll of \$676,586.18 for December (checks #50768 through #50958 of \$122,908.85 and direct deposit of \$553,677.33).

**Motion carries 2-0.**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOTION** by Commissioner Briggs to approve the consent agenda; minutes, minute entries, and approval of routine contracts as follows:

- ◆ **Resolution 07-06 Altering Commission Work Session and Commission Meeting**
- ◆ **Resolution 07-07 for Collection of Special Election Fees**
- ◆ **Memorandum of Understanding with City/County Health Department and Montana Department of Health for designation of Malmstrom Air Force Base as a Clinical Point of Dispensing for Disaster Preparedness**

Chairman Olson announced the upcoming special Commission meeting schedule as follows: Work session will be held on January 31<sup>st</sup> and Commission meeting will be February 6<sup>th</sup>, also the regular scheduled meetings will continue on February 21<sup>st</sup> for the work session and February 27<sup>th</sup> for the Commission meeting.

**Motion carries 2-0**

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 1**

**GREAT FALLS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PRESENTATION ON ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT**

Dean Stockton and Dave Kuhn presented a short video and presentation on their Annual Financial Report. Sheriff Castle commended them on behalf of the Cascade County Sheriffs for the fine work they have been doing.

## **AGENDA ITEM NO. 2**

### **JUNKERMIER CLARK CAMPANELLA AND STEVENS PRESENTATION ON COMPLETION OF COUNTY AUDIT**

Loren Stensland presented the County Audit Report. He commended the Commission for receiving the achievement of success certificate this year and the past two years prior, then continued highlighting a few items in the audit report (which is available for public viewing in the Commissioners office or we be available on the County website at a later date). Both the Auditor and Commission commended Randy Hand on his hard work.

Clayton M. Braden questioned the expenditures for the County and the amount of acreage obtained by the County. Brian Clifton stated 40 out of the hundred acres would be the County's. The expenditures amount was given by Randy Hand was 34 million.

## **AGENDA ITEM NO. 3**

### **SECOND READING & APPROVAL/DISAPPROVAL OF DISTRICT ORDINANCE 07-01 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF A TAX INCREMENT FINANCE DISTRICT FOR INDUSTRIAL INFRASTRUCTURE.**

Commissioner Briggs made a **MOTION** to adopt the Manchester Exit Industrial Park Tax Increment Financing District Ordinance No. 07-01. He further moved to waive the reading of the Ordinance.

Brian Clifton gave the background of this Ordinance. Chairman Olson then opened the meeting for comments. Clayton M. Braden approached the Commission, stating his concerns about the 15-year period and stated he felt it should be 10 years. Commissioner Briggs stated that 15 years was the longest period for this TIF, and it would probably be completed earlier than that.

**Motion carries 2-0**

## **AGENDA ITEM NO. 4**

### **MOTION TO APPROVE/DISAPPROVE FINAL ZONING RESOLUTION 07-08 REGARDING RANCH DEVELOPMENT LLC**

Commissioner Briggs made a **MOTION** to adopt the final resolution to rezone Parcels # 2625900 and # 2626000 in Section 13, Parcel #2644500 in Section 23, Parcel #2645600 in Section 24, and Parcel #2648200 in Section 26, Township 20 North, Range 4 East, Cascade County, Montana from "A-2" Agricultural District, to "R-1" Suburban Residential District and rezone 64 acres from "A-2" Agricultural District to "B-2" General Business.

Susan Conell gave a synopsis of the rezoning of Ranch Development LLC. She stated that the Planning Board chose not to make a recommendation on the rezoning, and that their office did receive a letter on non-support from the Cascade County Conservation District. The concerns that they have are; number of septic systems and wells, runoff and sediment entering into the Sand Coulee Creek, and that the Sand Coulee Volunteer Fire Department might not meet the required coverage.

Both Commissioners agreed that these concerns are legitimate ones and would be addressed in the next step of Subdivision approval. They reminded the public that this is just rezoning approval at this time, and it will be previewed again during the upcoming Subdivision approval stage.

Jill Lorang from the Cascade County Conservation district approached the Commission with her concerns stating she was not against the zoning but has concerns about the 428 parcels that would be created by this subdivision. She continued to reiterate the concerns stated in their letter to the Planning Board. She also stated they did not want to see another Whitmore Ravine situation. There was further discussion. Brian Clifton stated that the Planning Board works very closely with all Departments/Agencies about these concerns, and again reminded them that this is just approving the zoning, not the subdivision. He also concurred with Ms. Lorang about her concerns.

**Motion carries 2-0**

#### **DEPARTMENT HEADS AND ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Chairman Olson and Commissioner Briggs stated this a busy time for the Commission and they will be in and out of the office due to the Legislative Session in Helena. Sheriff Castle invited the Commission to attend meetings with him in Helena this Friday.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Clayton M. Braden thanked the Commissioners for allowing him seven minutes for public comment. He mentioned one of the governments in this area has limited the public to three minutes, and he feels the reason that they came up with the three minutes time limit is due to the fact that other officials can not absorb comments longer than three minutes.

Bob Stubbs voiced his concerns about the Home Place and the removal of the old mobile homes. He also had concerns about noxious weeds in the area.

Jill Lorang made the Commission aware of a Whitmore Ravine joint Resolution that is in draft form at this time. She encouraged the Commission to support them in this endeavor and stated she would keep them informed.

**Meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.**